the Senate, pursuant to Public Law 101-509, the appointment of Sheryl B. Vogt, of Georgia, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Pages S7676, S7677

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Lisa E. Epifani, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs).

Gail Dennise Mathieu, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia.

Joseph N. Laplante, of New Hampshire, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire.

Gustavus Adolphus Puryear IV, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee.

Gracia M. Hillman, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2009.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—210) Page S7589

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:24 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 14, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$7677.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: MILITARY CONSTRUCTION/VETERANS AFFAIRS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans' Affairs, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.

APPROPRIATIONS: HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

- S. 1257, to provide the District of Columbia a voting seat and the State of Utah an additional seat in the House of Representatives, with amendments;
- S. 274, to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, with an amendment;
- S. Res. 22, reaffirming the constitutional and statutory protections accorded sealed domestic mail;
- S. 967, to amend chapter 41 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for the establishment and authorization of funding for certain training programs for supervisors of Federal employees, with an amendment;
- S. 1046, to modify pay provisions relating to certain senior-level positions in the Federal Government:
- S. 1099, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to make individuals employed by the Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission eligible to obtain Federal health insurance;

H.R. 1255 and S. 886, bills to amend chapter 22 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Presidential Records Act, to establish procedures for the consideration of claims of constitutionally based privilege against disclosure of Presidential records; and

S. 381, to establish a fact-finding Commission to extend the study of a prior Commission to investigate and determine facts and circumstances surrounding the relocation, internment, and deportation to Axis countries of Latin Americans of Japanese descent from December 1941 through February 1948, and the impact of those actions by the United States, and to recommend appropriate remedies.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing on the nominations of Steven T. Walther, of Nevada, who was introduced by Senator Ensign, Hans von Spakovsky, of Georgia, who was introduced by Senator Isakson, David M. Mason, of Virginia, who was introduced by Senator Warner, and Robert D. Lenhard, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Reid, all to be Members of the Federal Election Commission, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

DOL/DOD/VA COLLABORATION AND COOPERATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Defense, and Department of Labor collaboration and cooperation to meet the employment needs of returning military service members, after receiving testimony from Charles S. Ciccolella, Assistant Secretary of Labor, Veterans Employment and Training Service; Michael L. Dominguez, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; Judith A. Caden, Director of Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, and Corey McGee, Public Affairs Specialist, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs; William O. Warren, DirectEmployers Association, Indianapolis, Indiana; Shaun Bradley, and Sandra Morris, both of Bradley-Morris, Inc., Kennesaw, Georgia; Don Osterberg, Schneider National, Inc., Green Bay, Wisconsin; and Monique Rizer, Alexandria, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 2693–2710; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 46, were introduced. Pages H6403–04

Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H.R. 948, to strengthen the authority of the Federal Government to protect individuals from certain acts and practices in the sale and purchase of Social Security numbers and Social Security account numbers, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–191, Pt. 1).

Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Improving the National Instant Criminal Background Check System: H.R. 2640, to improve the National Instant Criminal Background Check System.

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Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2008: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 2638, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. Consideration of the measure began on June 12th and is expected to continue Thursday, June 14th.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Foxx amendment (No. 33 printed in the Congressional Record of June 11, 2007) that seeks to reduce funding for the Office of the Secretary and Executive Management by \$1,241,000; Pages H6347-73

McHenry amendment to Foxx amendment that seeks to replace the dollar amount proposed in the Foxx amendment for the Office of the Secretary and Executive Management with "\$8,961,000"; and

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Fallin amendment (No. 31 printed in the Congressional Record of June 11, 2007) that seeks to reduce funding for the Office of the Secretary and Executive Management by \$138,000. Pages H6373–84

Pending:

Drake amendment (No. 9 printed in the Congressional Record of June 11, 2007) that seeks to reduce funding for the Office of the Under Secretary for Management by \$10,400,000, and increase funding, by offset, for the Office of Immigration and Customs Enforcement by \$9,100,000.

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H. Res. 473, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Tuesday, June 12th.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6335.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6405–06.